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510(k) Premarket Notification
SignaDRESS™ DuoDERM® Dressing

SUMMARY OF SAFETY AND EFFECTIVENESS

Applicant: ConvaTec, A Division of E.R. Squibb and Sons, Inc.
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Device: SignaDRESS™ DuoDERM® Dressing

**Substantially
Equivalent Device:** CombiDERM™ ACD™ Absorbent Cover Dressing (ConvaTec)

SignaDRESS DuoDERM Dressing is a sterile hydrocolloid dressing that, over-the-counter, may be used on abrasions, lacerations, minor cuts, minor scalds and burns and skin tears. Under the supervision of a healthcare professional, SignaDRESS may be used for wounds such as leg ulcers (venous stasis ulcers, arterial ulcers and leg ulcers of mixed aetiology), pressure ulcers (Stage I-IV) and diabetic ulcers, surgical wounds (post-operative wounds, donor sites, dermatological excisions), and burns (first and second degree).

SignaDRESS DuoDERM Dressing is contraindicated for use on individuals with known sensitivity to the dressing or its components.

SignaDRESS DuoDERM Dressing is substantially equivalent to CombiDERM ACD. Both products are equivalent in intended use and dressing characteristics. Both products provide a moist wound healing environment that is supportive of the healing process by aiding autolytic debridement and allowing non-traumatic removal of the dressing without damaging newly formed tissue.

Data/information supporting the safety of SignaDRESS DuoDERM Dressing was presented in Premarket Notification K962590. All testing was performed in accordance with Good Laboratory Practice Regulations.



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Ms. Nancy L. Woolley
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Re: K990964
Trade Name: SignaDRESS™ DuoDERM® Dressing
Regulatory Class: Unclassified
Product Code: KMF
Dated: March 19, 1999
Received: March 23, 1999

Dear Ms. Woolley:

We have reviewed your Section 510(k) notification of intent to market the device referenced above and we have determined the device is substantially equivalent (for the indications for use stated in the enclosure) to devices marketed in interstate commerce prior to May 28, 1976, the enactment date of the Medical Device Amendments or to devices that have been reclassified in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the Act). You may, therefore, market your device subject to the general controls provisions of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (Act) and the following limitations:

1. This device may not be labeled for use on third degree burns.
2. This device may not be labeled as having any accelerating effect on the rate of wound healing or epithelization.
3. This device may not be labeled as a long-term, permanent, or no-change dressing, or as an artificial (synthetic) skin.
4. This device may not be labeled as a treatment or a cure for any type of wound.

The labeling claims listed above would be considered a major modification in the intended use of the device and would require a premarket notification submission (21 CFR 807.81).

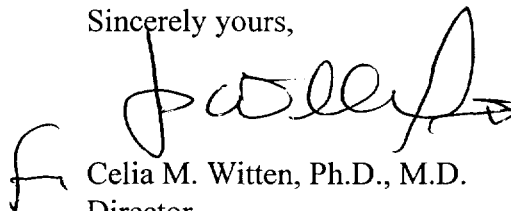
The general controls provisions of the Act include requirements for annual registration, listing of devices, good manufacturing practices, labeling, and prohibitions against misbranding and adulteration.

If your device is classified (see above) into either class II (Special Controls) or class III (Premarket Approval) it may be subject to such additional controls. Existing major regulations affecting your device can be found in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Title 21, Parts 800 to 895. A substantially equivalent determination assumes compliance with the Good Manufacturing Practices (GMP) for Medical Devices: General GMP regulation (21 CFR Part 820) and that, through periodic GMP inspections, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will verify such assumptions. Failure to comply with the GMP regulation may result in regulatory action. In addition, FDA may publish further announcements concerning your device in the Federal Register. Please note: this response to your premarket notification submission does not affect any obligation you might have under sections 531 through 542 of the Act for devices under the Electronic Product Radiation Control provisions, or other Federal laws or regulations.

This letter will allow you to begin marketing your device as described in your 510(k) premarket notification. The FDA finding of substantial equivalence of your device to a legally marketed predicate device results in a classification for your device and thus, permits your device to proceed to the market.

If you desire specific advice for your device on our labeling regulation (21 CFR Part 801 and additionally 809.10 for in vitro diagnostic devices), please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4595. Additionally, for questions on the promotion and advertising of your device, please contact the Office of Compliance at (301) 594-4639. Also, please note the regulation entitled, "Misbranding by reference to premarket notification" (21 CFR 807.97). Other general information on your responsibilities under the Act may be obtained from the Division of Small Manufacturers Assistance at its toll-free number (800) 638-2041 or 301-443-6597 or at its internet address <http://www.fda.gov/cdrh/dsmamain.html>.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "C. Witten", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Celia M. Witten, Ph.D., M.D.
Director
Division of General and
Restorative Devices
Office of Device Evaluation
Center for Devices and
Radiological Health

Enclosure

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INDICATIONS FOR USE STATEMENT

510(k) Number (if known): Not Known

Device Name: SignaDRESS™ DuoDERM® Dressing

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Concurrence of CDRH, Office of Device Evaluation (ODE)


(Division Sign-Off)

Division of General Restorative Devices

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Prescription Use _____
(Per 21 CFR 801.109)

OR

Over-the-Counter Use 
(Optimal Format 1-2-96)